NINETEEN THEATERS ARE ORDERED TO BE CLOSED

Mayor Carter Harrison Finds of other people. Finally the body of the girl was found and the broken-hearted One Ordinance Violated.

NO ASBESTOS CURTAINS

That Was the Cause of the Order to Close.

MORGUES STILL CRUWDED

Pathetic Incidents and Dreadful Scenes Are Described

several morgues. The total number of bodies that have been accounted for is be she." 582. Of these 561 have been identified. BRIEF SERVICES.

ordinances which were intended to pro- officiate at their funerals. Sam T. Jack's, Mariowe, New American, Chicago, Academy of Music, Alhambra, Avenue, The experience of this one clergyman in Bijou, Chicago Opera House, Columbus his rounds from home to home is but an Russia had decided not to grant Japanese Stock. Thirty-first Street, Criterion. Fle- instance of what dezens of other minisgenbaum's, Milwaukee Avenue, Garrick ters of the gospel were called upon to the Japanese legation. and Glickman. In addition to these the perform during the day. London Globe Museum and the Clark It was absolutely impossible for the be-Street Museum were also compelled to reaved relatives to secure all the car- The patriotic sentiment of the Japanese close their doors.

Olympic theaters are vaudeville houses in many instances it was not possible for When asked regarding the utterances of of the highest class and probably do as all the members of the family to ride in Baron Hayashi, Minister Montono said much business in point of numbers as the funeral cortege, because no carriages that certainly no such report emanated any of the theaters in the city at single could be procured for them. The livery- from him, and he has the usual medium performances. They give, however, a men were simply overwhelmed by the de-matinee every day in the week and it is mands made upon them and earnestly league in London. He remarked that on seldom that seats can be obtained for priged that as far as possible the relatives the contrary the day had passed without any performance at the time of opening, should content themselves with a carriage advices having been received, and that In addition to this they have been ac- for the pall bearers, the hearse and one the status of the situation continued to stomed to selling large numbers of other carriage for the family. tickets for standing room, and as a gen- there were more family than could con- for his views on the outlook for peace. eral thing more people are within these veniently ride in the single carriage they Minister Montono asked to be excused places of amusement at an average per- were compelled to make their way to the from replying, saying that the situation formance than can be found at any other cemelery by other methods of transporta- was too delicate to permit him to explayhouse in the city.

closed is a small playhouse on the north- day, and tomorrow it will be intensified. west side of the city and should not be confounded with the larger theater of 300 burial certificates of those burned in the same name situated on Randelph the theater fire. street, one block west of the Iroquois.

day was carried out by Building Commis- ited the Iroquois building and went over sioner Williams and Chief of Police it thoroughly. As they stepped into the O'Nell. The scope of the investigation building the mayor accidentally trod on covered nothing but ashestos curtains.

Harrison, "to prevent loss of life when of the disaster. He shuddered and, reaudiences rush for the doorway, but I moving the hair from his shee, placed it have determined to see that every pre- on one side of the hallway and passed in caution is taken to prevent such occur- The mayor went everywhere except into rences as will alarm the people and start the cellar, went out on the fire escapes, them on a rush for the exits. It is all tried the exits, and finally mountd into very well to say that the great less of the riggings left above the stage. life in the Iroquois theater was due to dressing rooms were visited and the whole the fact that the people lost their heads interior explored. T. P. Marshall, the and crowded into the doorways and aisles architect of the building, accompanied the like maniaes, but the fact remains, and mayor throughout the theater. It cannot be denied, that there would the gallery the mayor pald particular athave been no panic if the apparatus in tention to the exits and tried all the this theater, which, judged by all ordin- handles by which the doors are opened. ery standards, was the best equipped play. The failure to comply with the ordi-

hose they had lost. The greater num- Alderman Mayer, who said: number that had crowded the tables and way for the second balcony, Architect foors on Thursday morning. In some Marshall said: such a condition that only the most min- nearly three feet of such space." ute and careful inspection would be able

One of these cases was that of Herbert the exits. nd Agnes Lang, of 1632 Barry avenue. Both children had attended the performfound the daughter in an undertaking with them stablishment. Mr. Lang. almost exbausted through his continuous trips from theater was opened on November E. It morgue to morgue and from hospital to has been running fully five weeks. In ser's office and then back through the make a few signs?" als afternoon in utter despair to the of- STEPPED ON HAIR. see of Chief of Police O'Nell and begged wo detectives to assist him. He also said: ded with newspaper men and his e, though themselves almost worn

father smiled through his tears as he gathered up the little form and carried it

to his carriage. "I have one of them, at least," he said, "and this will be a great comfort to her mother."

The absolute failure of Mr. Lange to identify any of the bodies as that of his on aroused some hope that the boy may be alive and cared for in some hospital. Mr. Lang's sorrow was turned to joy when he reached his home at 1255 Fortyfifth street tonight. He drove up to the door with the body which he had brought from the morgue as that of his daughter and was greeted by his wife, who told him that their two children had returned SITUATION IS DELICATE home this evening in safety. They had become dazed apparently and had been wandering around the city without know-

be his own child. "There was so little by which I could recognize the body," he said, "that I was confident I would never be able to .. Chicago, Jan. 2 .- At midnight only say in my own mind absolutely that it 21 unidentified dead remained in the was my daughter, but at the same time there were some strong points or resemblance and I concluded that it must thorized the Associated Press to make a

Chicago, Jan. 1 .- Mayor Carter Harri- The funeral of the two Regensburg chil- Japanese minister at London that Russia son today took steps to provide as far dren was held this afternoon at the home had decided not to grant the Japanese as possible against a repetition of Wed- of their parents, 240 Michigan avenue, in proposals. This report came from Lonnesday's horror at the iroquois theater, the heart of the aristocratic section of don and New York to Paris while officials As a result of an investigation made at the South Side. Because of the many generally were participating in brilliant his orders and lasting but a few hours, calls upon his time, Dr. Emil G. Hirsch. New Year's festivities centering at the hineteen theaters and museums were or- who conducted the services, announced Elysee Palace. The foreign office and dered closed, some of them being among that he would be able to deliver only a other government establishments were the leading and most popular playhouses short address. In four other homes of closed and the ambassadors, ministers of the city. The action of the mayor the members of his congregation lay the and distinguished personages were taking was based on one single violation of the bodies of children waiting for him to

tect the patrons of theaters from just From the Regensberg's home Dr. Hirsch such an occurrence as that which cost so went to that of Dr. Joseph Zeisler, 3256 many lives on Wednesday. This was Lake Park avenue, to attend the funeral that every one of these places had omit- of another young victim. Walter B. Zeisted to supply an asbestos curtain. The ler, who was considered one of the Nelidoff, and the Japanese minister, Menordered closed are: Howard's, brightest students in the University of tono, were among the attentive listeners

riages they wished to convey their is shown in the decorating of the lega-The Chicago Opera House and the friends and relatives to the cometeries. Lion entrance with large Japanese flags.

e Merrick theater which was ordered This was the situation in Chicago The coroner's office today issued nearly

Mayor Harrison today, in company with SBESTOS CURTAINS.

Building Commissioner Williams, AlderThe inspection ordered by the mayor to- man Mayer and several architects, visa large lock of human hair, which had "It may not be possible," said Mayor been torn from the head of some victim

house in the city, had been in proper nance requiring that exits shall be indiworking order. There is no getting be- cated by printed signs struck the mayor youd the fact. From all the evidence now and when he noted that heavy damask n hand it is clear that if the asbestos curtains were hung before some of these curtain in this theater had been down doors he inquired of Architect Marshall there would have been no loss of life, why they had been placed tehre. Mr. Marshall replied that it was done to

It seemed today as though there were improve the appearance of the house acthing but funeral processions moving. It was also noted by the mayor that from the undertaking establishments to the ordinance requirement which insists the cemeteries. Many men appeared at that galleries above the ground floor must the door of Raiston and Jordan's morgues each have a separate stairway leading to this afternoon who had been for forty- the street, had been disregarded. This sight hours constantly searching for circumstance excited the indignation of

r of dend are in these two places, and "This theater should never have been men who had viewed the ghastly rows of allowed to open because the ordinance of corpses before and had gone on an un- gallery stairways has received no attenavailing search to every other morgue tion, and has been disobeyed. The ocwhich the dead from the theater had pelied to use the same stairs as those been taken, came back once more to Ral- of the first balcony. The exits should eton's and Jordan's almost in despair, but have been separate, and if they had been, hoping against hope that they might I think more people would have escaped." have overlooked their dead in the great. Explaining the lack of a separate stair-

pases they were successful; in many oth- "There was more total space for the ers they were not. Practically all of the people to get out of the gallery than if bodies which admit of careful identifica- separate stairways had been provided. The tion have been carried away, and of law requires eight inches of stair and door those which remain the majority are in space for each 100 persons, and we had

To this Mayor Harrison said nothing to reveal their identity to those who but commented again on the fact that damask curtains had covered the doors and that there were no signs indicating

"The signs were being made ready," Mr. Marshall said. "but temporary signs ance and after many hours of tireless were not being used because it was not searching the broken-hearted father final- desired to mar the beauty of the interior To this Alderman Mayer retoined: "This

spital, from police stations to the coro- heaven's name, how long does it take to some round again and again, came To this Mr. Marshall effered no reply.

Returning to his office, the mayor

"I think exactly as I shought yesterday ce choked and falled as he referred to of the theater. I could not see any exwife, who lay utterly prostrated at planation for the disaster except the me. Mr. Lang said these were failure of the curtain to come down. only children, and the detectives and tried a lot of the doors and they seemed

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OUTLOOK

Reported That Russia's Answer Had Been Given.

IT WAS NOT FAVORABLE

Japan Minister at Paris Corrects the Rumor.

returned to the morgue with the body of the little girl which he thought to

Paris. Jan. 1 .-- At the Japanese legation here tonight Minister Montono audenial of a report that advices had been sent from the legation at Paris to the part in a series of official functions. The general tone of official comment during these informal exchanges was somewhat informal. President Loubet's address to the diplomats taking peace as a text. The new Russian ambassador, M. to the president's remarks, and consequently the report of Paris advices that proposals, was somewhat inexplicable at

Tonight Minister Montono received a number of his countrymen and officials. Where he the awaiting of Russia's reply. Asked press his views on possible results. He said however, that there were no advices today warranting a more serious

view of the situation. NO REPLY SENT. office today informed the correspondent of the Associated Press that nothing had

been done in connection with a reply to Japan. The Japanese minister here is unable to confirm or deny the advices received from Paris by Baron Hayashi that Russin had decided not to grant the Japanese proposals. It is generally accepted in diplomatic circles here as unlikely that

The several previous announcements to the effect that Japan's last note to Russin made no conditions regarding a time limit for a reply were officially confirmed 24, the former of whom is said to have

Moscow, Jan. 1 .- Nothing confirmatory of the advices from Paris to Baron Havashi, the Japanese minister at London is known here. A high official said to the Associated Press today that he still beneved that the trouble would ultimately

An uneasy feeling prevails here, however, and the hoerse closed very weak. POSITION EQUIVOCAL.

Moscow, Jan. 1.-The government's order to publish nothing in relation to the movement of troops is patriotically observed by every Moscow paper. One editor said to the Associated Press correspendent: "I know exactly which divison is going to the far east, and know the names of officers who have been ordered not to stir out of Moscow in view f the possible receipt of sudden orders." Another editor, impatient for war and confident of victory, said:

The Russian army will prove as disas

When asked to explain the utter Indif ference of the Moscovite, he explained That is due to loyalty. Walt until the emperor issues a manifesto declaring war. Then Russian sentiment will burst

But a manifesto is improbable in the immediate future, even if the Japanese

occupy Corea." possibility of American intervention. One of them remarked: "The attitude of the United States has become equivocal. We not like the dispetch of American warships. Still, the Russians cannot be-Heve that their old friend will give active assistance to Japan.

BATTLE SONGS. Sir Claude MacDould, the British minister to Japan, urged the purchase by England of the Chilean buttleships, the Constitution and Liberador. A significant nd curious feature of the New Year's festivities now at their height, is the revival of the old feudal battle songs by the people here.

OUTLOOK GLOOMY.

London, Jan. 1.-The far eastern on look is gloomy. No further news has developed, but the fact that not a single telegram from Japan has been received by any London newspaper since Thursday night, in itself creates alarm. The telegraph company is not aware of any delay in the transit of messages, and it

government is stopping dispatches. The feeling of apprehension was reflect-

ed at Lloyd's yesterday, underwriters demanding additional premium to cover a ar risk on all vessels proceeding west of Singapore.

"Even in diplomatic circles hitherto sanguine of peace there is a recognition that a rupture is all but inevitable Neither Japan nor Russia will abute anything of its claims, and there is no disposition on either side to invite the mediation of friendly powers. It is believed that Japan will take decisive steps within the next few days, unless a conciliatory message is despatched from St. Petersburg, a contingency which those best able to form judgment do not antici-

The Daily Mail deals similarly with the situation, and says that it understands that Russia has reached a decision which when communicated to Japan, must precipitate hostilities.

Among unconfirmed rumors in steamship circles is one that the Peninsular and Oriental Steamship company has sold four of its ships to the Japanese govern

Paris, Jan. 1.-Absolutely nothing is known in official circles of the advices FOUR PLANKS PROPOSED sent from Paris to the Japanese minister in London to the effect that Russia has lecided not to grant the Japanese pro posal. It is pointed out that Foreign Minister Deleasse left Paris tonight for Nice, which, it is thought, he certainly would not have done if serious news had been received

Tokio, Jan. 2.-A powerful squadren consisting of six armored cruisers and Admiral Kamimura, is expected to leave Saseho tomorrow for Masamosho, C. rea. Saseho is a Japanese port, 25 miles to the

SUNK A GUNBOAT

AMERICAN WARSHIP SAID TO HAVE FIRED ON COLOMBIAN. Navy Department Has Heard Nothing and Discredits Rumor.

Colon, Jan. 1.-There were persistent umors here yesterday and again today that the Colombian gunboat General Pin zon had been sung by American warships There is no confirmation of the report up

The Mayflower, to which Admiral Goghian transferred his flag yesterday, steamed out of the harbor this morning. There are no ships of war here.

Washington, Jan. 1 .- Assistant Secretary Darling of the navy department said tonight that he had received no news whatever with reference to the rumored sinking of a Colombian vessel" by an American warship and that he believed rumor was without foundation in

Colon, Jan. 1.-It is not known here whether the Indian chief Inanaquina left his territory of his own accord or was forced to do so by the Colombians. Much importance seems to be attached to that point. The cruiser Olympia and the gunboat Castine have not returned from the direction of Canti where they went to in-

OFF FOR PANAMA

Regiment Said to Be Ordered to Be in

Atlanta, Ga., Jan. 1.-The Constitution says the 16th regiment stationed at Fort McPherson has received orders to hold itpreparations to this end are in progress. The Democratic candidate must, there-Wednesday from Washington.

FRED ARNOLD CONFESSED.

Implicates Others in the Robbery and Murder.

Denver, Colo., Jan. L-At the police station this afternoon Fred Arnold, 18 years | IMPERIALISM. of age, confessed to complicity in the murder of Mrs. Amanda Youngblood and the probably fatal shooting of her son Robert while attempting to rob the little grocery store kept by Mrs. Youngblood and her husband, Thomas M. Youngblood, in Velverde, a suburub of Denver. Arnold's confession implicates Newton Andrews, aged 30, and Charles Peters, aged through a semi-official news fired the fatal shots. Both are under ar-

lynching of the murderers, but the police other peoples as well as our own, the clutton. We should give the tollers of

tect their prisoners. The young men drove to the Youngplood's store and gained admission by asking permission to use the telephone. They tried to hold up the elder Youngblood, but, aithough 54 years of age, he resisted until stunned by a blow on the head from a revolver. His wife and son, who came to his rescue, were shot down, the former dying almost instantly, the latter receiving a probably fatal wound in the head. The latter has a wife and

four children. Owing to the threats of vengeance circulated early in the evening, the prisoners were quietly removed from the Denver county Jail and taken by train to Colorade Springs and placed in jail there.

QUIET AT PANAMA

Pacific Side of the Isthmus Reports All Serene.

came here a fortnight ago have gone

The thirty American marines and blue jackets who were at Yaviza are patrolling the rivers. Panamanian soldiers continue scouting from Yaviza through the Durien district. The United States cruiser Boston is in San Miguel Bay, supporting the cavina outpost. The Wyoming is indulging in target practice and the Conford and Marbiehend are both in Panoutposts have been materially reduced, as they are small outposts. The best the quantity of money, either as the re not anticipate any advance of Colom- at the diminished production of gold bian troops. This opinion prevails, notwithstanding reports of concentration of party would show its friendliness to sil-Colombian troops at Baranquilla and the ver, when opportunity offered, himetalfact that Colombia is doubtless moving lism would rest in abeyance as an active troops toward the Atrato river.

of Colombia are thought to give a suffi- metal, but the time was not now clent reason for these movements of Co- TARIFF. lombian troops, but the naval authori-

Nebraska Democrats Celebrate Jackson's Victory.

POLITICAL BANQUET

Men and Measures the Subject 6. John Cudahy Visits Wichita. of Oratory.

Imperialism, Money, Tariff Reform and Labor.

Omaha, Neb., Jan. 1.-Nearly 500 Democrats of Nebraska celebrated the 89th over the British at New Orleans and ncidentally the 13th annual banquet of the Jacksonian club of Nebraska. The speakers included Senator Francis G. Newlands of Nevada, Congressman David De Armond of Missouri and Congressman Hitchcock of Nebraska. The occasion was or special significance to the Democrats of Nebraska because they had been formerly known as "Gold" and "Silver" Democrats.

Senator Newlands of Nevada spoke to the Toast 'Democracy in 1904," saying: "After two disastrous campaigns, Demeracy, though still strong in the south, s now in power in only two of the northern states-Montana and Nevada-and northern Democracy had never, since the civil war, been numerically so weak in the senate and house as now. The contest of 1904 was to be in the north and west. and the candidates, the issues and the organization must be selected with a view

victory there. "As to candidates, no single man in the party had so many followers as Mr. Bryan, but the country had not sufficientrecovered from the rancor and bitterness of the two campaigns in which he led the reform forces with signal courage and brilliancy, to permit his candidacy. Mr. Bryan, recognizing this condition, had wisely declined the candidacy. His vindication would yet come. Meanwhile he would be the great popular leader keeping the Democratic party is its an-

cient grooves of devotion to popular "Outside of Mr. Bryan, it would be difficult to select a man who would be a platform in himself. Of the older Domocrats, all had been identified with the differences of the last two campaigns, and of late, in the northern states, the Democratic party had had no such opportunity in state administration as would self in rendiness to go to ranama and bring a northern leader into prominence. The order, it is said, was received here on fore, be either a new and untried man. or one prominently identified with past differences. It was, therefore, all the more important that the Democratic party should rely upon a careful framing of LABOR. the issues of the campaign and a thorough organization of the party.

As to the issues, Mr. Newlands said importance to the question of imperial- they share, and for better conditions of ism. It was clear that the intense com- industrial and social life. Our govern- of general theater inspectors. of the American people. The colonial ments founded as they were on the di- ing that the stage, files, shield over have to stand its trial, and whilst the lege, having ascertained that the labor-Democracy would not fail to reassert the ing men were aroused to action that as hose, standpipes, water buckets

in the coming campaign

doctrine of the Democratic party as to we aim no general attack upon the wealth other danger. the quantitative theory of money. The arts, demonetized silver, gold's traditional prevent such gain is the future."

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Mr. Newlands said he would not atally and complement. The result was the by the Bland act.

creased in production, the demand for it on the part of other countries then drifting to the gold standard, was so great instead that as the Democracy had no which reads as follows. as to drain our gold, the gold withdrawel drawal, through the repeal of the Sher- in itself, it should stand upon a clear, was supplemented by the silver withman act, and so our country, deprived Panama, Jan. 1.—The situation on this by these two forces of a sufficient cirside of the isthmus is quiet and satis- culating medium, struggled on the shoats complete organization of the party, not factory to the naval authorities.

Reports from Darien up to last night do 1898. The increased production of gold not give any evidence of Colombian ac. -prior to that time was unanticipatedivity or the presence of Colombians in was a relief, and today we have a per Panamanian territory. Daries miners who capital circulation of \$23 as against \$21 By Score of 12 to 6 Carlisle Defeats 13%, an increase of one-third. tenues for quantily in 1890, and were told that quality alone would give None came, however, until 1836, and subsequent years' increase in quantity vin dicated our theory and the our demand. The results of the quantitative theory were now largely realized, and until the quantity was threatened with diminution no marked issue on the money question could be made. The Demceratic party would remain true to ams. The Yavinz and Real-Sunta Maria uncient tradition of bimetallism, and be ready to reassert it when diminution in informed persons from the outposts do suit of an increased demand for gold political fesue. Silver would yet be re-The disturbed international conditions stored to its old position as a money

The tartif would again be an issue; buf President Zelaya, of Nicaragua, cabled | Cleveland. It was safe to say that the the civil war as a revenue measure, at \$1,000,000.

BULLETIN OF

SATURDAY, JANUARY 2, 1904.

MPORTANT NEWS OF TODAY

 Chicago Theaters Are Closed, Looks Very Much Like War. Democratic Issues Defined. Another Fatal Chicago Fire.

2. Embry May Be Named. Governor Barnes Plans a Trip.

. Hog Receipts Are Small. Henry Clews on the Outlook. Boots and Shoes Exports Large,

5. I. W. Gill Saw Chicago Fire. Postoffice Does Big Business.

Celebrated Wedding Anniversary.

8. May Name Justice Today. Reception at the White House,

though in many respects it was highly protective in character. Its character as revenue producer was so pronous that it was difficult to dispose of the surplus accumulating in the treasury, and the Republican party itself was conside ing a voluntary reduction. Mr. Cleveland threw down a challenge, involving radical changes; it was taken up by the Repub lican page; and the issue of protection was forced to the front. Mr. Cleveland was beaties, and the Republican party. flushed with victory, passed the Mckinley act, the rates of which were in excess of those of the Morrill act. Thus Mr. Cleveland's challenge led to an inrates. The country, surprised by the increase and resenting it, put Mr. Cleveland and the Democratic party in power, and the result was the Wilson bill, a protective measure with less rates than the McKinley bill, but in many respects greater than the original Morrill act. The readjustments caused by this measure and other causes led to the restora tien of the Republican party to power, and the result was the Dingley act, the highest protective measure we have ever had. We had thus, in the period between 1890 and 1998, as the result of Mr. Cleveland's injudicious challenge, three tariff nets, two Republican and one Democratic, each differing from the others and yet all carrying rates in excess of the original Morrill act, which it was Mr. Cleveland's purpose to overthrow. Could any statement be more convincing as to the extreme delicacy of the tariff situation

regarding it? In connection with gradual tariff revision, we should institute a system of internal taxation upon the great industrial corporations, the magnitude of whose operations had amazed the world. A tax of a certain percentage upon the gross annual receipts of all industrial corpora- hotel. These three men raised a plank tions exceeding \$500,000 or \$1,000,000, simliar to the tax imposed by the war rev- held the plank so that several women and enue act upon the sugar refineries and men could slide down it. gated capital under just contribution to the national expenses, would in itself private hotel. handicap these great corporations in their struggle with weaser domestic competitors, would give to the entire people a All had been overcome by smoke part of the large sums extorted from had not been touched by the flames. them by monopoly, and would constitute a fund applicable to wise plans of social and industrial betterment. Such a syswith publicity of the affairs of these FIRST ORDER OF NEW ADMINISgreat industrial corporations, as to wisely regulate them and divert to the public funds the extertionate gains of monopoly Inspectors Must Report Regularly on

and the danger of making a radical issue

The Democratic party should promise wise, moderate and progressive action remust give the laboring men of the counsystem was now established and would vine rights of kings, on rank and privitime-honored doctrine of the declaration must result in either reform or revolu-As to the money question, Mr. New- wealth, and at the same time we must lands said that time had vindicated the convince the capital of the country that now existing, even though part of it was

panks of 73 and the consequent depression tempt to show now how much could be having charge of such places of amore lating to the tariff, our money circula-In 1885, when, although gold had in- tion, our control of transportation in the line of equal and just rates, and reform is also called to the previsions of section pro-eminent candidate no man whose moderate and unequivocal declaration of petash and sulptur, in the theaters of its intentions, and that this involved a public balls is prohibited. but for the framing of the issues.

INDIANS VS. INDIANS

the Sherman School.

Los Angeles, Calif. Jan 1-By a score of 12 to 6 the Sherman Indiana were defeated by Caritele today in the hurdest fought game of football ever played in southern California. Although the eastern Indiana went through the Sherman tipe for a touchdown in exactly three ainder of the game was hotly contested. Captain Johnson and Fullback Williams of the Cartisle teum were out of the game early through injuries. The fast playing of Captein Neafns and the dewere the distinguishing features.

LOCAL EXPRESS COMPANIES.

They Have Concluded to Merge Their Interests in Boston.

Boston, Jan. 1.-Plans have been perfected for his consolidation of swenty- can championably of the world. thrers of the large local express companies within a radius of ten miles of The combination is to be known ties are in no wise remitting their ac-tivity to preparedness. The Democratic party would not again as the Suburban Express and Parcel tivity to preparedness. to the Junta this morning saying that it madical uncompromising views of Mr of Massachusetts and have the company gave him pleasure to recognize Panama Cleveland did incalculable harm both to supply the built of the business of the on New Your's day. The recognition by the country and to the Democratic party. electric street rallway freight carrying. Nicaragua has caused much satisfac. The Morrill tariff set was possed during The new corporation will be expitalised

The Wichita Baily Engle RUSHED FOR THE STREETS

Three Persons Killed and Four Injured at Hotel.

ALARM SOUNDED

Recent Theater Horror Creates Regular Panic.

GUESTS WERE ASLEEP

Smoke So Thick in Upper Stories Exits Are Lost.

Chicago, Jan. I.-Three persons were killed and four others injured tonight in a fire that destroyed the Luvre hotel, Mil-382 Lake avenue. Nearly 100 guests were in the hotel at the time the fire broke crease instead of a reduction in existing out, several of whom had retired for the night. With the remembrance of the Iroquois theater horror fresh in their minds, all persons in the place became panic-stricken and rushed madly for the streets as soon as it became known that the hotel was on fire.

The dead: PATRICK RYAN, retired merchant; rmerly owned large department store at Madison and Peorla streets.

MRS. FLORENCE CHAPIN. BISSELL CHAPIN, II years old, son The injured: M. M. Bright, guest at hotel; leg broken

in felling in darkened hallway Wm. Hayden, waiter in hotel; badly burned, hands and face cut.

Dr. N. Von Schill, severe injuries to back and right leg. Fred Hopp, fireman; leg broken. When the fire was discovered most of the guests were in their apartments and hurried to escape, but in the upper stories of the building the smoke was so thick that they had great difficulty in finding the exits. Several persons were rescued from the second story through the efforts of three of the greats of the

the oil refineries, whilst putting aggre. The building was a three-story and basement brick structure, and was used as a

> The entire building was entirely de-All had been overcome by smoke and

NEW YORK IS ALERT

TRATION CONCERNS THEATERS.

New York, Jan. 1.- The first order up der the new administration of the fire garding labor and social questions. We department looks to the more thorough Imspection of all theaters in this city. try to understand that we are with them In each buttalion where a theater is inthat the last campaign demonstrated that in their aspirationsf or a fair distribute cated a competent fireman will be des-Lon of the profits ofp reduction in which ignated as theater inspector, and these inspectors are to be under the supervision mercialism of the past decade had ment was far behind European govern- inspections of all places of amusement blunted the sensibilities and conscience ments in this particular. Those govern- will be required for the purpose of sender lights; etc. are in proper condition, examine all auxiliary fire appliances, such tinguishers, books, axes, etc., and see that There have been rumors of a threatened of independence, and its applicability to tion, were yielding reform to prevent reve they are of the regulation department standard, in perfect condition and ready fasue would have little practical effect the country to understand that we were for immediate use. Regular reports are in favor or conditions that will result to be made and the inspectors are to in a distributed, not a concentrated, make such recommendations as they decom proper for the better projection of life

> It is declared that safety of the theater-Republican party, in 1875, when gold was the result of privilege and abuse; that going putite is expendent, during a perat its lowest ebb of production, hardly we were not bent so much upon recover- formance, to a vertain extent upon the sufficient to satisfy the demand of the ing extertionate gain in the past as to vigilance of the inspector and they must neglect upon the part of the authorities III 'IS, when silver was partially restored accomplished by national legislation re- ment to properly and effectively sufeguard their premiers at all firms.

> > in labor and social conditions. He only at of the rules of the municipal laws, "The use of what are technically candidacy would be regarded a platform known as fireworks showers, or the use of any mixture containing caloride of

> > > THREE FIRE ALARMS. People Were Panic Stricken but Na

> > > One Was Hurt. New York, Jan. 1-Three starms were sent to this afternoon for a fire that started i na room on the sixth foor of the Murray Hill hotel at Forty-first street and Park avenue. The fire burned briskly for awhile and ate its way to the serenth floor and through the roof of one of the wings, causing damage estimated at \$10,000. A elight panic resulted, during which many guests left the hetel and one women fainted. No one was injured, however. It is thought the fire started

from crossed electric wires. MATCHED TO WRESTLE.

Tom Jenkins of Cleveland Will Meet Igwa Cyclone. Sellingham, Wash, Jan. 1.-Tom Jenkins, of Cleveland, champion wrestler of the world, and Frank A. Gelch, of Humbult, lows, known as the "lows Cyclone," were today matched to wreatle here January II, for the cutch-us-catchmatch is for a side bet of \$1.00 and a

guaranteed purse of \$2.000 winner to take THE WEATHER

Washington, Jan. 1.-Ferecast: Mananeaffir in west, snow in east portion flaturday; Suntay fair. Oklahoma and Indian Territory-Snow and colder Saturday; Sunday fair.